

officer of a private noncollegiate educational institution, or a postsecondary institution, operating in this State, prior to a discontinuance of operations of the institution, to file certain academic records, respectively, with the State Superintendent of Schools or the State Board for Higher Education; and requiring such records to be kept on file by the Superintendent or the Board, as the case may be.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 77 - Public Education
Section 13(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1975 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article 77A - Higher Education
Section 32A(h)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1975 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 13(a) of Article 77 - Public Education, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1975 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 77 - Public Education

13.

(a) Prior to the discontinuance of operations of any [nonpublic secondary school or collegiate] PRIVATE NONCOLLEGIATE EDUCATIONAL institution, however designated, operating within the State of Maryland, including those operated by bona fide church organizations, the chief administrative officer[, by whatever title designated, of any such school or institution proposing to discontinue its operations shall cause to be filed] OF THE INSTITUTION SHALL FILE with the State Superintendent of Schools the original or legible true copies of all essential records pertaining to the academic achievements of all former students [who attended the said school. Such] OF THE INSTITUTION. THE records shall be [so] prepared so as to present as a separate document the academic record of each [such] former student[, and, as to secondary schools, shall provide] AND such academic information as is customarily required by [colleges] POSTSECONDARY EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS when considering students for admission[; and, as to collegiate institutions, shall provide such academic information as is customarily required by